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1. On 20 October, the searchlight was continuously in operation at the field after dark. However, no flying was observed. On 21 October, 4 and 12 jet fighters were observed in the northern and southern sections of the field respectively. Another plane was being towed by a truck to the runway. Between 10:20 and 11 a.m., source observed no flying. The weather was dull with intermittent rain. Between 10:30 and 11 a.m. on 24 October, source observed 22 MiG-15 or type-29 planes. There was no flying. Maintenance work was being done on 17 aircraft parked along the runway.
2. In late October, shrapnel-proof aircraft revetments were under construction at the field.
3. A truck hitched to a canvas covered AA gun was observed south of the hangar on 24 October.
4. On 21 October, about 40 unarmed soldiers were doing close order drill under the command of two officers. On the same day, about 10 men, who arrived on two trucks, were levelling the ground around the old target ranges. About 40 men were employed on the construction of aircraft revetments. Two officers patrolled all forest lanes east of the field where new truck tracks were observed. On 24 October, about 30 men were removing a small mound in the southern portion of the landing field.
5. Trucks [redacted] were observed. 25X1

25X1 [redacted] Comment. According to available information a fighter regiment of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army is stationed in Altenburg airfield. An AAA battery equipped with six 37-mm guns is believed to be available at the installation.

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